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SUBJECT: ECE TIMBER STANDARD

REF: (A) GENEVA 2741, (B) STATE 80314

1. THOMAS SEARLES, US REP TO WORKING GROUP OF ECE  
TIMBER COMMITTEE, REQUESTS FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE CONVEYED  
TO MR. E. KALKKINEN, DIRECTOR OF ECE/FAO TIMBER DIVISION  
(TEL. 346011).

2. QUOTE. WE SUPPORT, IN PRINCIPLE, THE STANDARDIZATION  
EFFORT OF THE AD HOC ECE GROUP. HOWEVER, WE CANNOT  
SUPPORT THE MARCH PROPOSAL BECAUSE IT IS NOT IN LINE WITH  
NORTH AMERICA PRACTICE. THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA  
STILL PREFER THE EC2 (S6) GRADE LEVEL TO BE ESTABLISHED  
IDENTICAL TO THE NORTH AMERICA NO. 2 GRADE, AND PROPOSE  
THAT KNOT SIZES BE CHANGED TO PERMIT, "WHEN MARGIN KAR  
EXCEEDS 1/2, THE KAR OF ANY SINGLE KNOT SHALL NOT EXCEED  
1/3, AND TOTAL KAR SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/2. WHEN THE MARGIN  
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KAR DOES NOT EXCEED 1/2 THE TOTAL KAR SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/2.  
A SINGLE NARROW FACE OF SPIKE KNOT SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/3  
KAR; TOTAL KAR SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/2". AND THE ACCEPTANCE  
LIMITS BE LEFT AS PROPOSED IN THE JULY, 1976 DRAFT.

WE FAVOR THE STATEMENT REGARDING THE NATIONAL GRADING  
RULE BUT THE ECE GROUP CANNOT GIVE ASSURANCE THAT

INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES WILL ACCEPT THIS PROVISION AND THUS  
MAY, IN EFFECT, EXCLUDE NORTH AMERICA GRADES.

TESTING DATES ARE INDEFINITE AT THIS TIME. IN SUMMARY  
WE ARE NOT YET IN A POSITION TO ACCEPT THE ECE PROPOSED  
STANDARD." END QUOTE.  
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